

July 6, 2022

Tamarah Holmes, Ph.D., Director
Office of Broadband
Department of Housing and Community Development
600 East Main Street, Ste 300
Richmond, VA 23219

Dear Dr. Holmes:

I am providing this VATI Application Notice to notify the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development that Franklin County may apply for the FY2023 Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI). Franklin County intends to apply for wire-lined and/or hybrid solutions that will focus on unserved/underserved areas of the County such as Callaway, Fork Mountain, Penhook, Snow Creek, Sontag and Wirtz communities.

Steven Sandy, Assistant County Administrator will be our main point of contact for the purposes of the application process, and can be reached at:

1255 Franklin Street, Suite 112, Rocky Mount, VA 24151

Phone: (540) 483-3030 Email: Steve\_sandy@franklincountyva.gov

Franklin County understands that this VATI Application Notice is required in order to submit an application for the 2023 Virginia Telecommunication Initiative and that this notice is not binding on the entity represented by the undersigned, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development.

Sincerely,

Christopher L. Whitlow County Administrator

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Cc: Steven Sandy, Assistant County Administrator

Jim Guynn, County Attorney